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## A RESOLUTION BY COUNCILMEMBERS CLAIR MULLER AND MARY NORWOOD

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A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE INDEPENDENT INTERNAL AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, WITH OVERSIGHT BY THE CITY OF ATLANTA AUDIT COMMITTEE, PERFORM ONGOING REVIEWS AND ANALYSES OF CONSENT DECREE-RELATED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND RELATED FINANCIAL AND PERFORMANCE ISSUES, TO PROVIDE INDEPENDENT AND OBJECTIVE INFORMATION ABOUT COST-EFFECTIVENESS, TIMELINESS, AND QUALITY CONTROL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta has federal deadlines of 2007 and 2014 for compliance with the Clean Water Act as outlined in two Consent Decrees--the CSO (Combined Sewer Overflows) Consent Decree and the SSO (Sanitary Sewer Overflows) Consent Decree; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta is presently undertaking wastewater improvements to comply with the CSO Consent Decree; and

WHEREAS, water/wastewater bonds are being proposed for funding of these capital improvements projects as mandated by the CSO Consent Decree; and

WHEREAS, the rate increases required to service the debts on the bonds are substantial; and

WHEREAS, the public needs the assurance that the capital improvement projects funded via the water/wastewater bonds are carried out in a timely, cost-effective, and quality manner.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, as follows:

<u>SECTION 1</u>: That the independent Internal Auditor of the City of Atlanta, with oversight by the City of Atlanta Audit Committee, is requested to perform ongoing reviews and analyses of capital improvement projects and related financial and performance issues associated with the CSO (Combined Sewer Overflows) Consent Decree and the SSO (Sanitary Sewer Overflows) Consent Decree.

<u>SECTION 2</u>: That the Department of Watershed Management is requested to make available any departmental personnel that might be requested by the Internal Auditor to assist in any review and analysis conducted by the Internal Auditor and the City of Atlanta Audit Committee.

<u>SECTION 3</u>: That the City Internal Auditor shall provide quarterly reports to the City Utilities Committee of the Council as to the status and results of the audit work described

in, Section 1, for the purpose of providing independent and objective information on the timeliness, cost-effectiveness, and quality control with which the Consent Decree projects and related City initiatives are being implemented.

SECTION 4: That the City Internal Auditor and the Audit Committee are encouraged to seek technical advice and assistance for the audit work described in Section 1, from independent and objective individuals with expertise in engineering and construction project management.

SECTION 5: That all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ADOPTED by the Council RETURNED WITHOUT SIGNATURE OF THE MAYOR APPROVED as per City Charter Section 2-403

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## Atlanta City Council

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MULLER NORWOOD AND FAUVER ADOPT

YEAS: 11
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
NOT VOTING: 4
EXCUSED: 1
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Y	Smith	Y	Archibong	Y	Moore	Y	Mitchell
Y	Starnes	Y	Fauver	NV	Martin	Y	Norwood
Y	Young	Y	Shook	NV	Maddox	Ε	Willis
NV	Winslow	Y	Muller	Y	Boazman	NV	Woolard